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MISSOULA---

The trip west last weekend for the University of Montana football teams was far from a disaster.

The undefeated Grizzlies bagged win number seven in Portland while the Cubs gained valuable experience in Spokane.

Jack Swarthout's gridiron squad conquered a much improved Portland State Viking team, 49-14, while the Cubs took a 41-7 defeat from Spokane Community College.

Swarthout commented, "I know I sound like a broken record, but our whole team just played a darn good game. The Vikings are a good ball club, but our kids wouldn't be denied!"

The UM mentor said, "Portland threw the football well and were a much better team this year. The kids (Grizzly players) said Portland never gave up and hit just as hard in the last quarter as they did in the first."

For Portland Saturday it was a case of trying to contain a powerful clock-eating offense that rolled up 408 yards. The Vikings couldn't offset a defensive lapse with a normally powerful offense.

Prior to the Montana clash Portland threw for 1363 yards and ran for 652 yards. Coach Don Reed's club in previous games set up the running attack with strong passing. Coach Swarthout said, "When we finally took away the pass in the second quarter the Viking offense suffered."

Portland passed for 229 yards, just two more yards than Montana's Les Kent rushed for and ran for only three yards on the ground, while Grizzly linebackers and defensive backs picked off four of Portland's 61 passes.

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Swarthout also lauded the offensive blocking. "Our blocking in general looked the best it has all season. Our linemen blew out of there and our backs picked up their assignments with precision."

Offensive line coach Bill Betcher said, "I told them to go out there and have a good time and they had a heyday. I just hope they can do that against the 'Cats this week."

Swarthout concluded, "We just play as a team and win as a team."

On the other hand, the Grizzly younger counterparts, the Cubs, received a valuable lesson from a polished Spokane Community College Spartan squad.

Frosh coach Jim Neilson said, "Spokane just had the experience on us. They played six games before our game and their execution was precise."

"Our boys did a fine job, especially in that second half," Neilson said. "Monte Sever had a fine game gaining 105 yards." The big fullback from Butte packed the ball 22 times for Montana.

Spokane out-rushed the Cubs gaining a net of 279 yards to the Cub's net of 138 yards. In passing Montana threw 27 times completing five for 66 yards while the Spartans connected nine times for 171 yards.

Both the Grizzlies and Cubs are priming for this week's clashes with Montana State. Neilson's eleven meet the Bobkittens Friday in Missoula while the Grizzlies prepare for the trip to Bozeman Saturday.

UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA FOOTBALL STATISTICS (seven game) 7-0 Conference: 3-0

Results: UM 24, N.Dak. 10;
 UM 31, S.Dak. 20
 UM 52, N.Ariz 7
 UM 20, Weber 17
 UM 34, Idaho 9
 UM 46, Idaho St. 36
 UM 49, PSU 14
TEAM TOTALS

PUNTING	NO.	YDS	AVG	BLKD		
Ochoa	42	1649	39.0	0		
RUSHING	TC	YG	YL	NET	AVG	TD
Kent	113	796	4	792	7.0	3
Blancas	80	535	28	507	6.3	3
Brum	67	351	67	284	4.2	4
Reilly	67	309	30	279	4.2	4
Buzzard	44	291	18	273	6.2	8
Hoffman	45	194	12	182	4.3	1
Caputo	19	135	30	105	5.5	1
McMahon	4	25	5	20	5.0	0
Robinson	1	5	0	5	5.0	0
Schillinger	1	4	0	4	4.0	0
Bain	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0
Fisher	4	4	22	-18	-4.5	0
Ochoa	3	6	8	-2	-2.0	0

	MONTANA	OPPONENTS
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	152	118
rushing	117	42
passing	29	65
penalty	6	11
TOTAL RUSHING PLAYS	436	255
TOTAL RUSHING YARDS	2654	880
yards lost rushing	225	271
NET YARDS RUSH	2429	609
passes attempts	103	281
passes complete	44	122
passes intercepted	5	17
NET YARDS PASS	876	1342
TOTAL PLAYS OFFENSE	554	536
TOTAL YARDS OFFENSE	3305	1981
punts/ yds/ blkd	42/1649/0	53/2109/1
punting average	39.26	39.8
fumbles/lost	25/16	18/9
penalties/yards	70/829	42/430
TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS	34	14
rushing	22	6
passing	12	8
other	0	0
PAT kick	30/31	10/10
PAT run & pass	2/3	2/4
field goals	6/13	5/12
TOTAL POINTS	256	113

PASSING	ATT	COM	PCT	INT	YDS	TD
Brum	85	36	.423	4	622	8
Fisher	14	6	.428	0	169	3
Caputo	2	1	.500	0	11	0
Blancas	1	0	.000	1	0	0
Ochoa	1	1	1.000	0	54	1

TOTAL OFFENSE	PLAYS	RUSH	PASS	TOTAL
Brum	152	284	622	906
Kent	113	792		792
Blancas	81	507	0	507
Reilly	67	279		279
Buzzard	44	273		273
Hoffman	45	194		194
Caputo	19	105	11	116
Fisher	18	-18	169	151
McMahon	4	19		19
Robinson	1	5		5
Schillinger	1	4		4
Bain	1	-1		-1
Ochoa	3	-2	54	52

RECEIVING	NO	YDS	AVG	TDS
DeBord	10	259	25.9	3
Bain	12	280	23.3	4
Reilly	5	75	15.0	1
McMahon	5	89	17.5	2
Buzzard	4	55	13.8	1
Blancas	5	83	16.6	1
Miles	1	15	15.0	0
Caputo	1	13	13.0	0
Kent	1	7	7.0	0

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TDS
Stein	20	145	7.3	0
Robinson	3	9	3.0	0
Dennehy	2	16	8.0	0
TOTAL	25	170	7.36	0

INTERCEPTIONS	NO.	YDS	AVG	TDS
Stein	9	158	17.6	0
Schruth	3	9	3.0	0
Gallagher	2	26	13.0	0
Peters	1	3	3.0	0
Robinson	1	0	0.0	0
Bozzo	1	0	0.0	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TDS
Stein	13	375	28.8	0
Robinson	6	91	15.2	0
Blancas	2	26	13.0	0
Dennehy	1	8	8.0	0
Stedham	1	0	0.0	0
Buzzard	1	46	46.0	0
Stachnik	1	0	0.0	0

TOTAL OFFENSIVE AVERAGE PER GAME (seven game average)

UM---472.1 yards

Opponents-----283.0 yards

RUSHING AVERAGE PER GAME

UM ----- 347.0 yds

Opponents----- 87 yds

PASSING AVERAGE PER GAME

UM-----125.2 yds

Opponents----191.7 yds

NEXT GAME: Montana State Bobcats in Bozeman, November 1 at Gatton Field